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DALLAS--An academic Chair in Reproductive Biology has been established at The University of Texas Health Science Center here by Mr. and Mrs. Cecil H. Green.

In making the announcement, Center President Charles C. Sprague said the chair would be part of the new Cecil H. and Ida Green Center for Reproductive Biology Sciences. Acceptance of the \$600,000 gift was made by the UT Board of Regents at its last meeting.

"I know of no area of scientific endeavor more appropriate for support than reproductive biology," declared Dr. Sprague, adding, "Both Cecil and Ida Green, who have been major benefactors of science and education in the past, may well make another signal contribution to humanity with this new gift."

Nucleus of the new center will be formed from Southwestern Medical School's Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology.

Mr. Green, one of the founders of Texas Instruments, is a previous benefactor of the medical school's building program. He and his wife are creators of the Green Foundation which has made millions of dollars worth of contributions to a wide number of educational and research institutions.

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Those gifts include a \$6 million earth sciences building and more than \$1 million in scholarships at Massachusetts Institute of Technology. The Greens have given support to the Dallas Museum of Fine Arts, Dallas Symphony, Children's Medical Center, University of Texas at Dallas, the UT System, Bishop College, Texas Christian University and the YWCA.

He is recipient of the UT System's Santa Rita Award.

Mrs. Green is a member of the Southern Methodist University Board of Trustees and Mr. Green was a prime factor in formation of TAGER (The Associates for Graduate Education and Research) an educational consortium. One of TAGER's endeavors is a closed-circuit television system used by North Texas educational and business institutions.

The choice of Southwestern Medical School for the Chair in Reproductive Biology underscores the scientific talent available for this new research thrust. Led by Dr. Paul MacDonald, chairman of the Department of Obstetrics and Gynecology, research already is underway in a wide variety of areas involving human reproduction, from genetics to immunology.

In its goal of improving quality of life in all aspects of human reproduction, the new center will utilize the contributions of neurosciences, endocrinology, biochemistry, immunology, genetics, embryology and geriatrics.

Information generated by research in the new center will be utilized in family planning, child development and newborn care.

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